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Amendments To The Claims:

1-42. (Canceled)

43. (Previously Presented) A method of cleaning and protecting polyalkylene terephthalate containers, the method comprising the step of contacting said polyalkylene terephthalate containers with an alkaline composition comprising, the alkaline composition formed by diluting a concentrate, the concentrate comprising

about 1% to about 20% of at least one C_{12} to C_{20} alkyl diphenylene oxide disulfonate and mixtures thereof;

about 1% to about 20% of a nonionic defoamer; and about 1% to about 40% of at least one sequestrant selected from the group consisting of phosphonates, gluconates, phosphates and mixtures thereof.

- 44. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 43 wherein said alkaline composition comprises at least one C₁₂ to C₁₆ alkyl diphenylene oxide disulfonate.
- 45. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 43 wherein said alkaline composition comprises a C₁₂ alkyl diphenylene oxide disulfonate.
- 46. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 43 wherein said alkaline composition comprises a C₁₆ alkyl diphenylene oxide disulfonate.
- 47. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 43 wherein said alkaline composition comprises at least one first sequestrant which is a phosphonate sequestrant and at least one second sequestrant which is a phosphate sequestrant, a phosphonate sequestrant, a gluconate sequestrant or mixture thereof.
- 48. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 47 wherein said alkaline composition comprises at least one first sequestrant which is a phosphonate sequestrant and at least one second sequestrant which is a gluconate sequestrant.
- 49. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 43 wherein said C₁₂ to C₂₀ alkyl diphenylene oxide disulfonate and mixtures thereof is present in said alkaline composition at a concentration of about 0.002 wt-% to about 2 wt-% after diluting said concentrate.

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- 50. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 43 wherein said nonionic defoamer is a block copolymer of ethylene oxide and propylene oxide.
- 51. (Previously Presented) A method of cleaning and protecting polyalkylene terephthalate containers, the method comprising the step of contacting said polyalkylene terephthalate containers with an alkaline composition comprising at least one C₁₆ to C₂₀ alkyl diphenylene oxide disulfonate, and mixtures thereof.
- 52. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 51 wherein said alkaline composition comprises at least one C₁₆ alkyl diphenylene oxide disulfonate.
- 53. (Withdrawn-Previously Presented) A method of cleaning and protecting polyalkylene terephthalate containers, the method comprising the step of contacting said polyalkylene terephthalate containers with an alkaline composition, the alkaline composition formed by diluting a concentrate comprising from about 1% to about 20% of an anionic surfactant selected from linear alkyl polyether sulfonates, linear alkyl polyether phosphates and mixtures thereof.
- 54. (Withdrawn-Previously Presented) The method of claim 53 wherein said concentrate further comprises at least one sequestrant which is a phosphonate, a gluconate, a phosphate or mixture thereof.
- 55. (Withdrawn-Previously Presented) The method of claim 53 wherein said concentrate further comprises at least one nonionic defoamer.
- 56. (Withdrawn-Previously Presented) A method of cleaning and protecting polyalkylene terephthalate containers, the method comprising the step of contacting said polyalkylene terephthalate containers with an alkaline composition comprising at least one alkamide.
- 57. (Withdrawn-Previously Presented) The method of claim 56 wherein said alkamide is a coconut diethanolamide.